

To the Members of the California State Senate:

I am returning Senate Bill 1674 without my signature.

As the primary author of Proposition 49 that created the After School Education and Safety Program (ASES) Act, I am very proud of the good work that after school providers have done in serving kids over the years. While providing students with educationally enriching activities during weekend hours is a worthy goal, this bill takes the program beyond the original scope of the ASES program. After school programs are intended to provide students with access to quality tutoring, homework assistance, and educational enrichment during non-school hours, when they are most at-risk of being involved in dangerous activities – during after school hours.

For these reasons, I am unable to sign this bill.

Sincerely,

Arnold Schwarzenegger